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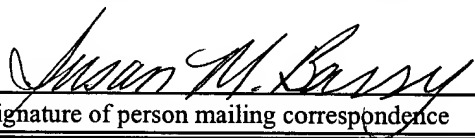
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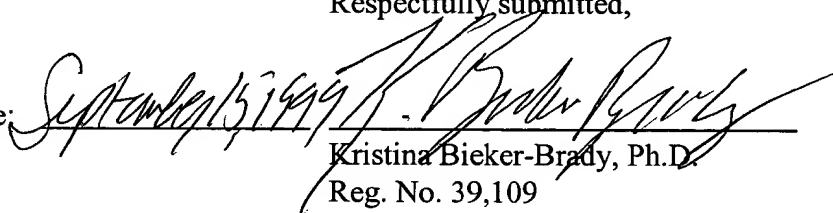
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Washington, D.C. 20231PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.136, applicants hereby petition that the period for replying to the Examiner's Action mailed April 29, 1999, be extended for 3 months to and including September 15, 1999.

Enclosed is a check for \$870.00 for the required fee. If there are any other charges, or any credits, please apply them to Deposit Account No. 03-2095.

Respectfully submitted,

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